Roch of Ages, eleft for me, Let me halo myself in thee

GIFTS FOR CHILDREN.

Santa Claus Furnishes the Christmas Ella Morris Kretschmar writes enter-diningly of "The Christmas Tree" in If one has a taste for joiney and the tainingly of "The Christmas Tree" in

The Weman's Heme Companion, and in the course of her article says: gifts on the tree. The tree is from Santa writer once received a shock not easily designs for inkstands, writing pads, penforgotten. After much shopping, supplemented by work at home, a beautiful lection. tree, with numerous gifts beneath, glad-dened the eyes and heart of her one and there are other materials just as artistic only on Christmas morning. Everything was duly enjoyed throughout the day, but in the twilight two little arms were slipped about mother's neck, and a soft voice asked: 'Mother, why is it that everybody gives me pretty things on Christmas but you and father—Aunt Mary, Uncle Edwin, Eloise, Mamie, all the rest of the family and even my friends-all but just you? I would rather have something from you than from any one, even Santa Claus.

"Think of it! After so much effort, and no explanations possible! Santa Claus still gets credit for the tree, but mother's and father's gifts are plainly

"There are some parents whose con-sciences are so painfully constructed that to them the Santa Claus fiction seems a wicked falsehood not to be encouraged. We pity them and lament their honesty. If consistent, they must earthly man? Santa Claus needs no table according to choice.

apologist.
"Do not regard the Christmas tree a are its price Remember how rich you conferring so much happiness.

NATIVE HAWAIIAN WOMEN. Those of Mixed Blood Prouder of the

Kanaka Than the Anglo-Saxon Part. Hawaiian women have a wonderful charm of manner, and their smiling faces, dark, lustrous eyes and soft voices have a fascinative about them that cannot be easily lef ed. They carry themselves with 2; we and dignity peculiarly their own. Even the flower women, with their pretty lei customs, though their feet may be bare, have a certain dignity of bearing never seen in the Anglo-Saxon of the same class.

lands once included all of Pearl Harbor; ready made up. Mrs. George Beckley, wife of a prominent Hawaiian formerly a member of the council of state; Mrs. Emma Nakuma, a clever and accomplished woman, whose scholarly attainments make her a cut small, into a bowl, with 3 dessertunique figure in political and social circles in Honolulu; Mrs. Ronges, wife of yolks of 4 eggs and a pint of cream. the Swedish consul; Miss Ernestine Mix well and cook slowly in a double Rose, Misses Parker and Ah Fong, and boiler until it thickens, which will be many others whose beauty of face and in about 10 minutes. Remove from the

waiian and American blood, and the of pulverized sugar and an ounce of gel-Misses Ah Fong are daughters of Ah atin, previously dissolved in enough Fong Choy, the Chinese millionaire, and a Hawaiian mother. The Misses latter. Beat until thoroughly mixed Parker are daughters of Samuel Parker, and place in a mold on ice. part Hawaiian, formerly a member of Queen Lilinokalani's cabinet; their mother, a pure Hawaiian, is a tall and handsome woman of the stately type, with white hair, the clearest brown skin and large dark eyes.

I saw her at Kawaihao church on Sunday in a black satin holoku, falling in graceful lines from the shoulders, a large black hat with nodding feathers -all black-bringing out with striking effect her dark eyes and white hair. As she stood in the doorway for a moment she was a picture that would have delighted an artist. Mrs. George Beckley is one of the most graceful young matrons in Honolulu. She accompanied the party of Queen Kapiolani, wife of Kalakaua, and the then Princess Liliuckalani on their visit to the United States and to England ten years ago to attend the queen's first jubilee. Mr. Beckley, like his wife, is part Hawaiian. On his mother's side he is a descendant of a high chief of Kamehame ha blood. They have a son who is one of the promising young students at the Stanford university. While there were many Hawaiians at the ball, many of them royalists, others of equal prominence staid at home, not from any bitterness, but from the still lingering sentiment of loyalty to the old order of

and the royalists who were at the ball bake quickly regarded it as a purely social function and complimentary to a distinguished guest. President and Mrs. Dole had asked a large number to assist in receiving, probably 30 women, representatives of the best society of the islands. The women I have named and many others are more or less beautiful women They have most attractive homes. Education, culture and general knowledge of the world by study and travel make them the peers of the Anglo-Saxon .-Chicago Times-Herald.

be as dense as quicksilver.

lombia increased from \$2,785,000 in 1894 to \$3,383,000 in 1896. Alaska has a seacoast of 26,000 miles,

exceeding that of the remainder of the United States nearly 21/4 times. A Massachusetts man 72 years old

was recently sent for two years to the t'ree times."—Cleveland Plain Dealer. Gotham as more defenses and defenders penitentiary for stealing three hens. The silver peso of Cuba is equal to

THE HOUSEHOLD.

The Modern Writing Desk and Its Appointments-Mince Meat For Pies.

The Ecvival of the Madras. The writing desk in its modern daintiness is a very attractive affair and is prized by every woman who is fond of retty and convenient home adornments. The principal charm of a design presented by The Decorator and Furnisher is artistic simplicity. It is a well proportioned, neat little affair well adapt-Avery has bought a lot of hens for ed to a corner of the home room, and

ability to lay out the working plans, a little desk may be made by the home "Do not make the mistake of hanging amateur at comparatively small expense. Of course the desk itself, however Claus, the gifts from family and friends pretty, needs the many necessary little -a distinction which should be made artistic appointments, and the opportuclear to each little mind. And label nities for securing such are many. The each gift before placing it under the tree—the proper place for all Christmas crowded with dainty desk "fixings" at gifts. Sauta Claus is sure to be given a wide range of prices and quality. Silcredit for anything anonymous. The ver, of course, is the leader, and the



frown upon all that man's imagination in make up and much cheaper. The blotting pad, with composition or sterhas done to adorn life, to embellish the blotting pad, with composition or ster-world. As for Santa Claus, may be not ling silver corners, can be purchased at be regarded by the Christian as typical of the giver of good gifts, and to the honest nineteenth century pagan does which there are the always useful artihis coming not commemorate the birth cles for the writer who decorates with of the acknowledged highest type of pride either her mahogany desk or big

Mince Meat For Pies.

are in having some one in your heart raisins, 1½ cupful currants, 1½ cupful boy outside to watch for water while brown sugar, 1 1-3 cupful molasses, 3 he gave some vigorous punches with a cupful confurring so much be princes." liquer, 2 teaspoonfuls salt, 2 teaspoonfuls into the drain the water began to fuls cinnamon, a half teaspoonful mace, a half teaspoonful powdered cloves, a "Oh, father, it's coming. It's black." lemon (grated rind and juice), onefourth piece citron, a cupful cider, 3
teaspoonfuls rosewater. Mix in the ordow in time to see a very fat and very der given, using enough of the meat liquor to make quite moist, and cook in a porcelain kettle until the apples and the would thrash his boy for uttering. raisins are soft. Do not add the cider or The fox had been living in Avery's cel-

is the best for pie meat.

The Revival of the Madras. Some ten years ago the popularity of Hawaiian women are proud of their the madras curtain was at its height. blood, those of mixed blood prouder of Since that time Irish point, embroidered ancestry of chiefs. It is one of the strong and very fine cheesecloth have all had sickness, and in The Ladies' Home characteristics of both men and women characteristics of both men and women their turn. Now the seesaw is about to Journal uniquely and vividly describes —stronger in the women, who are of more pensive and intense nature—that more to be on the elevated end, says have discovered nothing else in the brief where white blood predominates their first loyalty and pride is in the Hawaiian blood.

The Puritan. Therefore fortunate intime since I left my native land, it is deed is the woman who has carefully laid by her madras. The revival of these the poetry and song written on foreign the poetry and song written on the poetry and song Among the notable Hawaiian women at the ball were Mrs. Iaukea, wife of Major Iaukea; Mrs. Irene Brown, the Mrs. Iaukea; Mrs. daughter of a chief, John Iui, whose can be bought either by the yard or al-

A Novel Dessert. A novel dessert may be made as follows: Put 3 ounces of preserved ginger, figure would win admiration anywhere | fire and beat with a wire egg beater un-Some are pure Hawaiian, some Ha til it is nearly cold. Add 2 teaspoonfuls warm water to cover it, straining this

How to Keep Food Hot.

When it is necessary to keep a meal plate holding the food in a hot oven, thus discoloring the china as well as drying the food. Instead place the plate upon the fire over a pan of boiling water, covering the plate with a pan that will just fit over the edge of the plate. The food will keep hot, and there will says one authority in such matters.

ed, pour in a quart of cream. Set it over | birds and plants.' the fire in a double boiler, but do not let it boil. Stir one way till it thickens Pour it into custard cups, and when cold cover the tops with grated maca-

Recipe For Mut Wafers. One-fourth cupful of butter creamed with a cupful sugar. Add an egg well beaten, a cupful flour, a cupful nut Party lines, which have never been meats, sliced thin. Use wainuts or plenty of money, for the amount of his very taut, are relaxing more and more, cream nuts. Drop en buttered tins and

An Expert Accountant.

to love me?

"Possibly," the girl replied. "If you could render me a statement of what you are worth, Mr. North, I might learn to persons wonder once more whether the love you. I'm very quick at figures." great Nobel prizes will ever do any par-

Its Tangible Results. explorer to himself, as he looked at his reschagin, when last heard from, was bank account and noted the ciphers his sketching the turbulent scenes in the If a well could be dug to a depth of latest two lectures had added to it, Austrian parliament, with a view to 46 miles, the air at the bottom would "people sometimes ask me, 'What's the getting increased "ginger" into his good of trying to find the north pole?" Exports of the United States to Co- - Chicago Tribune.

The Pride of the Street. "Is this your little brother?" "Yes, he is, an he's de smartest kid

"Is he, indeed?" "You but Le is. He's had de measles might be as effectual a safeguard for

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DIGGING CELLAR DRAINS.

Always Do the Work From the Outside if You Have Been Losing Poultry.

If George Avery of this neighborhood ever digs out another cellar drain, he will begin at the outside and dig in, because nobody can tell what a cellar drain holds until its whole length has been explored. Though a cellar drain has no apparent connection with hens, Avery has learned otherwise and paid more than \$50 for learning.

three or four years and has made money out of them. When his neighbors saw the accommodations are ample for the how he prospered, they went to raising hens also, and when the spring of 1897 opened there was more poultry running loose in Whiting Hill than in any other place east of Bangor. Some time last May the young chickens and early broilers began to disappear, going out healthy and strong in the morning and neglecting to show up at night. On some days Avery lost four or five, and then the average would reach 10 or 12 every day for a week. The neighbors began to lose chickens too. They complained to Avery about his dog, and Avery entered a counter complaint about their cats, and both sides were getting hot about it when Sam Adams solved the mystery by seeing a black fox in the very act of carrying away a plump cockerel. Of course it is a bad thing to have any kind of fox carry away one's poultry, but if man has got to surrender his hens to the foxes he would sooner see a black fox get them than one of any other col-The reason for this is that a black fox wears an overcoat worth anywhere was out with traps, guns and poison.
Every morning and night they devoted and sweethearts. at least an hour to stalking the black fox, and every day the black fox sneaked in and carried off all the hens he wanted. The hen raisers caught Avery's dog, and he caught two of their cats, and all of them caught plenty of hens, but in spite of all the blandishments they could hold out the black fox absolutely refused to get into a trap or cat poiso guns. Meantime the hens kept growing fewer, until Avery sold out and quit the business, though he continued to hunt for the fox whenever he had time.

After the last big rain Avery's cellar drain refused to carry off the overflow, and the water backed up until the cellar was half full. Avery began to dig from the inside, making a hole through "Do not regard the Christmas tree a bother, even if fatigue and sacrifice Mrs. Lincoln's cookbook:

The following timely recipe is from the cellar wall and working down to see what stopped it up. When Avery Ars. Lincoln's cookbook:

A cupful chopped meat, 1½ cupful was half way to the outlet, he sent his long pole. The third time he drove the

rosewater until the mixture is cooked. | lar drain all along and had brought in Meat from the lower part of the so many hens that the accumulated mass round, that has a little fat and no bone, is the best for pie meat.

of bones had stopped up the outlet.—
Whiting Hill (Mc.) Letter in New York

Lilian Bell Homesick In London Miss Lilian Bell, the Chicago authoress who is making her first visit to Euof one's countrymen such sentiments are no more than vers de societe. But now I know what heimweh is-the Swiss word for home pain. I can unsometimes. The home pain! Neuralgia, only attack one set of nerves. But beimweh hurts all over. There is not a muscle of the body nor the most remote fiber of the brain nor a tissue of the heart that does not ache with it. You can't eat. You can't sleep. You can't read or write or talk. It begins with the protoplasm of your soul and reaches forward to the end of time and aches every step of the way along. You want to hide your face in a pillow away from everybody and do nothing but weep, but even that does not cure. It seems to be too private to help materiis tears, unrestrained weeping.'

The Late Judge Nelson. Worcester, Mass., Senator Hoar said the vinced of its superior quality. other day. "He never let go a client's case in which he believed, and no one be enough steam from the boiling water was wise who went to sleep thinking in the lower pan to keep the plate moist | Judge Nelson was through with a case and prevent its contents becoming dried, just because the preliminary points were lost to him. He was a man of absolute integrity, agreeable, fond of friendship and of his friends, and with Boil 20 sweet and 20 bitter almonds, a vast knowledge of literature, science blanched and pounded, in a few spoon- and history. He had in his memory the fuls of milk for 5 or 10 minutes. When best poetry in the language and knew Capacity-300 gallons per day Represented by cold, stir in the yolks of 5 eggs, well the stars so that he could on a moonbeaten, with a spoonful of cream, add 3 light night point out and name the con ounces of sugar and 2 wineglassfuls of stellations in the skies. He had a rare the lest brandy. When thoroughly mix- knowledge of the names and habits of

A Rash Promise. An enthusiastic church member of Philadelphia has just contributed \$1 to the church on its birthday, pledging himself to double the amount on each anniversary of his birth for the rest of his life. If he keeps his pledge and lives long enough, the church will have offering on his birthday 25 years hence will be something over \$16,000,000.

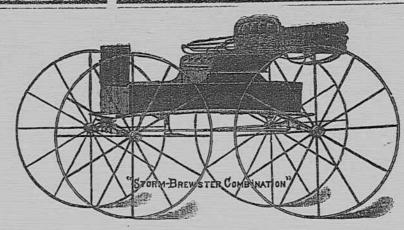
The Nobel Prize For Peace. The report that the Nobel prize of "Do you not think, Miss South," he pleaded, "that in time you might learn \$30,000 or thereabouts to the person who has done most to promote peace is to be awarded this year to Vereschagin. the painter, tends to make thoughtful ticular good. The basis of the award to Vereschagin is that his pictures are bloody and unpleasant and put the ob-"And yet," said the famous arctic server out of conceit with battles. Ve next war scenes. If his paintings are really such promoters of peace, it would pay the chamber of commerce of New York to import, at its own cost, a complete set of them, to be presented to the

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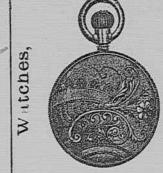
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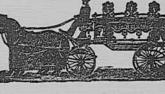
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Positively no freight received after 4 30 p, m. and must be prepaid to all points, except on the N. Y. Phila. and Norfolk Railroad